

# SACRED HEART PARISH

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**Weekend Mass Times:** Saturday – 7 pm  
Sunday – 9 am, 11 am, 7 pm  
**Spanish Mass – Sunday, December 11 at 1 pm**

**Confessions:** Saturday – 11:00 am to noon

## Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am – noon & 1 – 4 pm  
Friday: 8:30 am – noon

## Parish Team

Pastor: Father Jozef Wroblewski  
Office Administrator: Angela Morrison  
Receptionist/Secretary: Carolyn Brown  
RCIA Coordinator: David Bouchard  
Custodian: Brian Yeo

We are a welcoming community of believers guided by the light of the Holy Spirit to live Christ's love through the sharing of our gifts.

## Sunday, December 4, 2016 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

Readings: Year A  
Isaiah 11.1-10  
Romans 15.4-9  
Matthew 3.1-12



## Weekday Masses December 5 - 9

Monday	9:00 am Mass 10.00 am Mass at Villa Marie
Tuesday	9:30 am St. Teresa School Advent Mass
Wednesday	9:30 am Camille School Advent Mass
Thursday	10:00 am Funeral Mass for Felicitas Alberto
Friday	9:00 am Mass 11:15 am St. Martin School Advent Mass

*The advent season is a time of reflection and preparation. A time of opening our hearts. A time to think of those less fortunate. I encourage you to support Together We Serve with a financial contribution.*

*Together We Serve supports many charities including Catholic Social Services.*

*May the Spirit enable us to see Christ in the poor and allow us to be a sign of Hope.*

*God Bless you all,  
Fr. Jozef Wroblewski*

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Tuesday	10:00 am	Seniors Exercises
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Legion of Mary St. Vincent de Paul
Thursday	10:00 am	Seniors Exercises
	1:10 pm	Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice (9am group)
	7:30 pm	RCIA (Baptism & Confirmation)
Saturday	5:00 pm	Spanish Group
Sunday	6:30 pm	Youth Choir Practice

### **Baptism**

Contact the parish office to register for Baptism preparation and pick up a Baptism Application Form and information package. You will need to bring your child's Birth Certificate.


### **First Reconciliation**

Saturday, December 3, 10 or 17 at 11:00 am.  
You may choose the date that is most convenient for your family. Please have your child bring their reconciliation workbook for Fr. Jozef to sign.

### **Confirmation**

Registration is on Tuesday, **January 24, 2017** at 7 pm (parents only). Please bring your child's Baptism Certificate. A donation is welcome to help defray the cost of materials.

### **Marriage Preparation**

 Couples are asked to meet with Fr. Jozef six months prior to their wedding so that all paperwork can be completed. Please bring an updated copy of your Baptismal Certificates.

### **Convalidation (Blessing) of Marriages**

We are always open to help those who have for one reason or another omitted the Catholic Form of Marriage. If you would like to have your marriage convalidated or have questions, please contact Fr. Jozef Wroblewski at the parish office.

### **Engaged Encounter**

A marriage preparation course is mandatory for all couples getting married within the Catholic Church. For more information about an Engaged Encounter weekend, or to register to attend a weekend see [reddeercee@gmail.com](mailto:reddeercee@gmail.com) or contact Deacon Claude/Margaret Baril at 403-347-2455.



### **K of C Family Christmas Supper**

Sunday **December 18**

Knights of Columbus Hall

Santa with Children 4:30, Supper at 5:30 pm

Buy tickets early. \$10 per person or \$25 per family  
Call David at 403-357-9117 to buy your tickets.

### **Altar Servers**

If your child is in grade 3 or older and has received their First Holy Communion, they may want to become an Altar Server. You may register on the sign-up sheet in the Sacristy. You will be notified when a training session is scheduled.



### **Sunday 7 pm Choir**

You are invited to join us in song on Sunday evenings. The choir meets at 6:30 pm for practice and leads the singing at 7pm Mass. Contact Colin at 403-872-4014 or [ohmasterg@gmail.com](mailto:ohmasterg@gmail.com).

### **Pastoral Care**

Volunteers are needed to bring communion and help with prayer service at the Pines on Wednesdays at 11 am. If you are interested in this ministry, please call Lina at 403-347-5987.

**Religious Counter Sales** needs someone on the first Saturday of the month, and weekly in December to sell religious articles.

If interested, call Margaret at 403 340-0605.  
Youth Ministry

### **Hospital Visitors**

Your new schedules are ready to be picked up.

### **High School Youth Group! LifeTeen**

Notre Dame High School, 1st and 3rd Thursdays

### **Edge Middle School Youth Group!**

Sacred Heart Church-

2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7 - 8:30pm

### **Attention Central Alberta Catholic Young Adults!**

**Young Adult Bible Study-**

Mondays at 4 pm, Red Deer College Serenity Rm

**Young Adult Mass-**Red Deer College-Location TBA

For more information on this, please contact Ashley Strain at (403) 598-2239

## ADVENT AT SACRED HEART

### 2016 ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

All services begin at 7:00 pm

December 5	Sylvan L. (Our Lady of Assumption)
December 7	Trochu (St. Anne of the Prairie)
December 8	Ponoka (St. Augustine)
December 12	Rimbey (St. Margaret's)
December 13	<b>Red Deer (St. Mary's)</b>
December 14	Rocky Mt. House (St. Matthew)
December 15	Olds (St. Stephen's)
<b>December 19</b>	<b>Red Deer (Sacred Heart)</b>
December 20	Innisfail (Our Lady of Peace)
December 20	Lacombe (St. Stephen's)

### Holy Childhood Association



During Advent the children's contributions to the "pickle jars" will be sent to the Holy Childhood Association (HCA), the Catholic

Church's primary outreach to assist children in mission lands since its origins in 1843. Elementary and junior high students in our Archdiocese can learn about the situation of children their age in other parts of the world. Through the HCA children are helping children to grow in their love of God and neighbor as true missionaries of Jesus Christ. Thank you for generously supporting this ministry.

### Celebrate Advent with St. Martin School

St. Martin de Porres invites families and community members to celebrate the Advent season with us! We are holding several celebrations throughout the season:

- **December 2** at 2 pm at St. Martin School
- **December 9** – Mass at 11:15 Sacred Heart
- **December 16** at 2 pm at St. Martin School
- **December 20** at 6:30 pm we are holding an evening Advent celebration at Sacred Heart Parish. Our students will be showcasing their skills in the arts throughout the celebration. A brief social will follow in the Parish Hall.

### Parish Christmas Potluck Supper

Monday, December 5 at 6 pm.

**SOLD OUT.** No more tickets are available.

### The Salvation Army Christmas Assistance

Applications for the Adopt-A-Family Program are being accepted for parents with children under 18 and seniors 60+. Call 403-346-2251 for an appointment. See the poster on the bulletin board for more information.

### Safe Harbour

A needs collection for the Annual Advent Wish List for Safe Harbour will take on the week-ends of **Dec. 3/4 & Dec. 10/11**. Items requested: personal hygiene items (men & women); toiletries; warm wear (men & women); laundry soap; coffee, creamers; granola bars, etc. A detailed list is posted on the bulletin board (3 pages) with further needs list and information. Your support is most appreciated.

### The Mustard Seed

Volunteers are needed to serve meals on the last Mondays of the month, starting in January, from 5 to 7:30 pm. If you can help please call Eileen Lamb at 403-347-8273. (You may leave a message.) Volunteers under 18 will need a youth release form.

## IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

### Online Faith Formation



Registration is now open for the next cycle of classes in the Certificate in Catholic Studies (CCS), offered by the Benedict XVI Institute for New Evangelization through Newman Theological College. Thirteen different courses will begin on **Monday, January 9**. All are offered online, so you can study from the comfort of home and work around your personal schedule. Each course runs five weeks and costs just \$85. This program is open to adults and youth of all backgrounds and education levels.

Register online at [www.newman.edu/CCS](http://www.newman.edu/CCS).

For more information, contact Sandra at 780-392-2455 or [sandra.talarico@newman.edu](mailto:sandra.talarico@newman.edu).



**A National Day of Prayer** in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples has been celebrated by the Catholic Church in Canada since 2002 on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - the Patroness of the Americas. I am honoured to invite you and

members of your community to a solemn Mass in which we entrust to the intercession of Our Lady the needs of our First Nation, Métis, and Inuit brothers and sisters. Please join us at 7 p.m. on **Monday, December 12**, at St. Joseph's Basilica. This Mass flows from an initiative undertaken in 2014 that we honour this feast day of the Americas with a gathering of First Nation, Métis, and Inuit peoples at the Cathedral Church of the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton. It is my hope that every year we will continue the tradition of gathering together in prayer with people from across the Archdiocese.

*Most Rev. Richard W. Smith*  
Archbishop of Edmonton

**Readings and Carols at the Basilica**

St. Joseph's Basilica invites you to rediscover the heart, wonder, and mystery of Christmas in a joyful celebration presented by The Schola Cantorum under the direction of Roderick Bryce. Join us at 2:30 p.m. on **Sunday, December 18**, for "Lead Me to See Him," an afternoon of readings and carols for Christmas.

**Prayer for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Advent**

**Waters of Hopefulness and Harmony**

Heavenly Father,  
in your wisdom you call us to your Son,  
who welcomes us,  
and through our Baptism, we find the source of  
peacefulness and harmony.  
May our lives be spent in hopeful encouragement  
of one another,  
with the Spirit as our guide, and justice our path.  
May the community into which we are baptized  
continue to be a place of welcome and  
forgiveness.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**Pastoral Associate**

Sacred Heart Parish requires a part-time, approx. 18 hours per week during the school year, pastoral associate to assist with Sacramental Preparation; (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage) for children and adults in the Parish. The successful candidate will also coordinate pastoral care and Liturgical celebrations and other duties as needed. Training will be provided. This position will start January 4, 2017.

**Please provide a current resume directly to:**

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The Labels for Education program is winding down. Campbells Soup Labels are no longer being collected. Thank you to those who have contributed to this program.

**2017 Donation Envelopes**

Your envelopes are ready to be picked up from the table in the foyer. If you did not receive envelopes for this year (2016) but wish to for 2017, call Angela at the Parish Office (403-346-2618). If you wish to sign up for Automatic Debit fill out a form, available in the foyer or drop in to the office.

**Christmas / New Years Mass Times**

Saturday December 24	4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm
Sunday, December 25	10 am
Saturday, December 31	7 pm
Sunday, January 1	9 am, 11 am, 7 pm

**Sacred Heart Parish Contact List**

Parish Council – Ron	.....403-343-2996
Liturgy Committee – Tom	.....403-346-2356
Knights of Columbus – Ariel	.....403-391-0833
CWL – Margaret	.....403-340-0605
Legion of Mary – Filomina	.....403-986-4897
Franciscans	..... catherineofs@gmail.com
St. Vincent de Paul	.....403-597-3030
Catholic Social Services	.....403-347-8844